



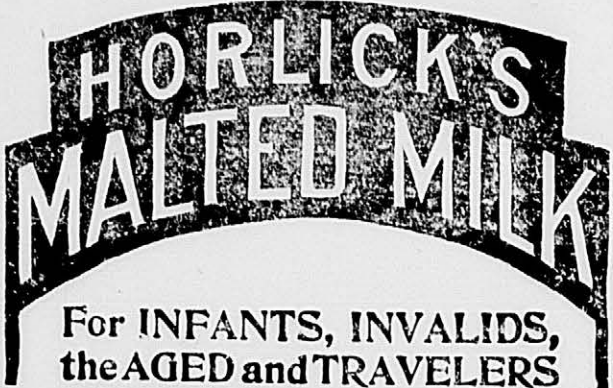
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As further particulars are received from the exploration party under Mr. A. O. Wheeler, Director of the Canadian Alpine Club, regarding their recent expedition over the Grand Trunk Railway through the Canadian Rocky Mountains it is known that the new Transcontinental Railway will be able to offer to its patrons the finest scenery of any of the Transcontinental Railways in America.

In the last report received the territory in the vicinity of the head waters of the Athabasca and Whirlpool Rivers is touched upon, and are, Mr. Wheeler states, opening up a field for exploration and research, mountaineering and camping that is absolutely new, and of which practically nothing is known. This group of mountains is magnificent. It rises approximately to 12,000 feet above sea level, and shows contours of the wildest and boldest forms. Immense snowfields and huge glaciers are everywhere. Boldest and most inac-

cessable rise the awful black precipices of Mount Ceikie, the central point of the group. Again to the south are an endless array of peaks, towers, pyramids, domes, castles and ramparts in bewildering confusion.

An attempt was made to identify the much talked of giants, Columbia, Bryce, Lyall, Forbes, etc., but in the chaotic whole it could not be done with any certainty.

Robert A. Kemp, B. Sc. '04 is a Professor in Boone College, Wuchang, China. He is also conductor of the Wuchang National Band and instructor in athletics.

Fred. Sinclair (Med. '10) has hung out his shingle in Cloverdale, B. C. We had a letter from him last week and he says that business is pretty good.

Watch for our Xmas Edition, Saturday, December 16th.

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Before an audience which taxed to its utmost capacity the Convocation Hall of the R. V. C., the Duke and Duchess of Connaught received, yesterday afternoon, McGill's honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws.

Half an hour at least before the time set for the proceedings to commence, the invited guests began to arrive and take their seats in the front of the Hall. The assembly was a most brilliant one, containing many of the most prominent people of the city, while the fair sex was very well represented.

At four o'clock every seat was taken, those at the back being rushed by the impetuous students, who once inside the halls began to relieve the monotony of the waiting by songs and yells. The R. V. C. yell was given with great effect, and called forth loud cries of "Hats!"

Suspended from the gallery was an enormous Union Jack, while in the gallery itself were seated students of the R. V. C.

A little after a quarter past four the Governors and the Faculty entered in a long procession, the members of the Board of Governors taking seats on the platform, the faculty being accommodated in the first three rows in the body of the hall. This procession was greeted with the good old song, "Good Morning, have you used Pear's Soap?"

Closely following came the members of the Students' Council, who lined up as a guard of honor on either side of the gangway. Their Royal Highnesses, with Princess Patricia, Principal Peterson, Miss Hurlbatt, and the suite, were seen at the door. The entire assembly rose to its feet. Dr. Perrin advanced to the edge of the platform, and gave out the first few notes of the National Anthem, which was taken up with a swelling roar. Slowly the Royal Party advanced up the gang-

way. The last strains of the National Anthem died away. Then, almost spontaneously, "O Canada" burst forth, and McGill's Royal Visitors ascended to the platform with Canada's hymn ringing in their ears.

Having shown the Duke and Duchess to their seats, Principal Peterson rose, and delivered the following eloquent address.

"To Field Marshall His Royal Highness Prince Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K. G., K. T., K. P., G. C. B., G. C. S. I., G. C. M. G., G. C. I. E., G. C. V. O., Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada, Visitor of McGill University,

May it please Your Royal Highness:—

It is with feelings of joy and pride that we welcome you today within these walls. We are grateful too that you should have found opportunity to visit McGill University so soon after assuming the duties of your high office as Governor-General of this Dominion.

We greet you as an illustrious member of that Royal House which is the strongest link in the chain that binds the various portions of our wide-spread Empire. And while hailing you as the appointed representative of His Most Gracious Majesty, we cannot forget, here in this College called by her noble name, your sonship to the best and greatest of Queens, or the fact that, when we sorrowed for the death of King Edward, the Peacemaker, you were mourning the loss of an Elder Brother.

We greet you as a gallant soldier, who has served his country not only here in Canada but also in Egypt, in India, and in the Mediterranean Command. Courage and manly worth are nowhere more eminent than in the exercises of war.

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SPECIAL CONCERT AT MCGILL CONSERVATORIUM IN HONOUR OF THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES

MCGILL'S MUSICAL STUDENTS DO THEMSELVES PROUD IN THE PRESENCE OF THE UNIVERSITY'S GRACIOUS GUESTS

The McGill Conservatorium of Music was honored yesterday afternoon by a special visit from T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia. Owing to the shortness of time at the Royal party's disposal the programme was of necessity very short. Notwithstanding the shortness of the programme the work of the students was of such high merit that this concert can be ranked as one of the most pleasing performances given at the Conservatorium for a long time.

The concert opened with a well-rendered trio by the Misses Schmidt and Miss L. de Solo. Miss Panneton, who followed, sang in a most pleasing manner the charming Styrienne from Mignon which was very well received. Mr. Dansereau played in his usual brilliant style an Etude by Saint-Saens.

Miss Jamieson's interpretation of the dainty Humoreske by Dvorak was much appreciated. This is the first time Miss Jamieson has played characteristic music at a Conservatorium Concert and the way her choice was received showed it to be a happy one.

Miss Ross' playing of the delightful Hungarian dance by Nachez brought

a very enjoyable concert to a close. After the performance the pupils who performed and the staff were presented to His Royal Highness who congratulated them on their work. Immediately before the concert, tea was very daintily served in the Conservatorium.

PROGRAMME

Trio, Novelette (Gade), The Misses Evelyn Schmidt, Augusta Schmidt, and L. de Solo.

Song, Styrienne (from Mignon), A. Thomas, Miss A. Panneton.

Violin Solo, Humoreske, (Dvorak), Miss Ethel Jamieson.

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Violin Solo, Hungarian Dance, (Nachez), Miss Jeanne Ross.

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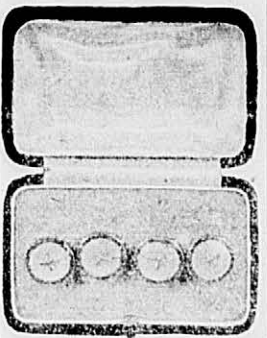
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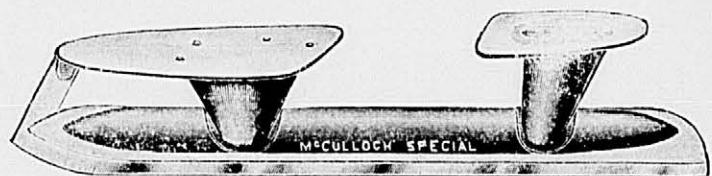


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Editor Daily,

Dear Sir:—I have been much interested in reading the various opinions expressed in your columns in regard to the proposed new regulations for "M's." I note that several of your correspondents have expressed themselves strongly against the somewhat humiliating position in which tennis has been placed, and this seems to me also, one of the most vulnerable points in the new regulations.

Now I don't know much about what is done with regard to tennis at the leading American Universities, but at Princeton, at any rate, they grant the "large P," their highest athletic distinction, to anyone who wins an intercollegiate championship in singles or doubles.

I think the rule proposed here of the big "M" for winners, and the small "M" for other members of the team is a good one, provided the distinction of small "M" is not made too cheap.

This I think would certainly be the case if it were to be granted to the Intermediate Water-Polo and Basketball teams, and also perhaps, if given for English Rugby. This last objection is based on the fact of the large number of men who compose the team, and also, while admitting that there are several good individual performers, I believe everyone who has seen English Rugby played on the other side, says the team here would compare unfavorably with that of any large public school in England. Surely such a standard is not sufficient for granting the distinction, combining as it does the disadvantage of cheapening the honor by giving it to so large a number.

I think then that with these three teams left out, the idea of the large and small "M" for tennis is an excellent one, but if the committee feel that they must grant the distinction of the small "M" for Intermediate Water-Polo, Basketball and English Rugby, it is only fair that ALL the members of the tennis team should receive the large "M" as there can be no doubt of its greater relative importance.

R. E. D.

McGILL STUDENTS AT MUSICAL CLUB

On Thursday, December 14th, Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught, and the Princess Patricia, at the Ladies Morning Musical Club on Dominion Square, two McGill Students of Music are scheduled to play. Miss Jean Ross will play (A) Romance; (B) Mazurka, by Wieslawski. Miss Donnelly, a member of the Conservatorium staff, will play a pianoforte solo (Scotch POEM by MacDowell.)

Dr. G. B. Rowell '84 has a very large practice on the Pacific Coast, with offices at San Bernardino and Los Angeles.

Gordon Byers, M.D. Sc., was married last week to Miss Jean Newton of Hamilton. Dr. Byers specializes entirely in Ophthalmology and was awarded the degree of D. Sc. in 1909 on account of research work in that subject. Dr. Byers is lecturer in Ophthalmology at McGill and Ophthalmologist of the Royal Victoria Hospital.

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OTTAWA DEBATERS SAID TO HAVE MANUFACTURED FIGURES

It is not many days since the Montreal Daily Herald had occasion to quote serious charges made by Queen's Journal against Ottawa College, as regards their football sportsmanship. Yesterday evening the Herald contained a short account of charges made by the same journal against Ottawa's debating spirit. To quote:

"It was charged and by responsible persons, that the Ottawa debaters were allowed by their chairman to run over their time limit by several minutes. Not only that, but also their leader in rebuttal used statistics absolutely manufactured. It seems to us that some steps should be taken in every contest with Ottawa, sport or debate, to detect any unfair methods that may be used, etc."

Here we see that the Queen's Journal singles out Ottawa College, and holds up the spirit displayed in sport and debate, as the vilest of which any college could be guilty. As to the truth of these charges we do not know, but this we do say, that before the Daily would come out with any such allegations, charging a sister university as Ottawa has been charged, we should have very clean-cut, definite proofs with which to enforce those charges.

Manufacturing statistics for intercollegiate debating purposes is not a thing which should be encouraged. But the Queen's Journal might have the charity to ascribe any discrepancy of figures displayed by the Ottawa man to mal-information, misunderstanding, anything—but dishonesty.

We regret that this spirit of antagonism, which to some extent characterized a few of the football games has entered into the intercollegiate debates. We at McGill do not pose as paragons of virtue. We do not claim that our sportsmanship displayed at times is beyond criticism; but we do confidently look forward to the day when in intercollegiate contests of any kind in the event of a tie (such as occurred in Ottawa) the teams, instead of both clamoring for the balance in the decision, will be loud in their protest that the award should go to the other fellow.

Work on the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, the new \$2,000,000 hotel, constructed by the Grand Trunk System is progressing very favorably.

Nearly all of the plastering of the hotel is now completed and there remains to be done only the lobby, bar and grill room ceiling. Most of the marble floors for the dining-room corridor are laid, and after the plaster work of the lobby is completed, work will be started on the marble work of that floor. Heat and light have been in the building for the last two months, and when the plaster is sufficiently dried in the various public rooms, the decorators will be able to commence the interior decorations. Some of the woodwork for the big rooms is in the hotel, and the erection of this is going on. The general appearance of the various rooms is beyond expectation, and when completed will be of the richest effect, artistic in design, and wonderfully beautiful.

Dr. Phil. McLachlan '07 is working under Dr. Oscar Klotz in Pittsburg.

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THE VISITOR OF OLD MCGILL

Yesterday McGill was en fete to receive the Royal Duke, the Duchess, and the Princess Patricia. The conferring of degrees in the Royal Victoria Hall was a memorable occasion. It betokened the official change in McGill's visitor and it represented McGill's bow to Canada's Royal Governor.

In 1869 when His Royal Highness was in Montreal on a previous tour, a visit to McGill was among the many other incidents of his sojourn. How different must he have found the University now after a lapse of forty-one years! Imagine for a moment the strange old ultra-academic atmosphere that pervaded the three buildings which at that time constituted the University. Then there was no regularly organized Science Course. This did not come until three years later. The number of undergraduates did not exceed 150 if we can trust our records. The courses were limited to straight Arts, an apology for a Science Course, a Medical Course, and a Law Course. Of this list the Medical Course was by far the best-known and best organized. It was at that time just as today, in the fore rank of American medical colleges.

The Duke's words of appreciation were pregnant with meaning. He did not have to await his arrival in Canada to hear of Old McGill. Our educational standards and imperializing agencies were known throughout the length and breadth of Christendom. Such a tribute from such an august source should fill to overflowing the cup of optimism which Sir William Macdonald's gift and the results of the campaign have raised to the brim.

We are sure that we voice the wish of McGill University in every department when we heartily pray that their Royal Highnesses may spend in Canada one of the most pleasant periods of their lives!

THE FENCING CLUB

As a large number of students are probably aware, there has been of late a movement to revive the Fencing Club. The first class was held last Saturday with three members present. This number will probably be substantially increased after the Christmas holidays, but it must be remembered that it is a far cry from a membership of three to a really effective organization, such as is necessary to win back our laurels in the Intercollegiate lists. Fencing both as a means of physical development and as a fascinating form of recreation stands alone and always has stood alone in many respects.

No other sport can boast such a wealth of historic associations. For hundreds of years it has been assiduously practised and critically studied, until, in the course of time, it has developed into a highly specialized system—and now, although the duel is happily becoming a thing of the past, and fencing has long ceased to be considered a necessary part of a youth's education, its theory is better understood and its practice is being taught in a more scientific manner than at any time since its first cultivation. The physical and mental alertness which characterize the wearers of the white arm, the graceful carriage, the peculiar combination of litheness and muscularity which the game calls for—all combine to make it one of the most beneficial as well as one of the most fascinating forms of exercise.

It is eight years since the McGill Fencing Club came into being—the most wonderfully prosperous eight years in the history of the University. Yet in the first year of its existence the Club boasted thirty members and the enthusiastic interest and support of the entire university, while last year the total enrollment was just two—two out of seventeen hundred. No wonder that Queen's simply walked away with the Intercollegiate Championship!

Now does McGill want a Fencing Club or does she not? If so, this is the time to show it. The Executive are making a final attempt to popularize the sport in McGill. They have managed to secure the services of one of the best instructors in the business—Mr. Rajmondi, who comes to Mon-

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trear with a record of thirteen years as instructor at Oxford University. If this attempt fails, it probably means the death-blow of fencing at McGill: if it succeeds, it means championships. Don't you think that it's worth while?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The advent of the Christmas holidays brings on the old controversy among the students as to whether they would prefer to have their term exams, before the break-up of college, or just after the new term opens. While this is a highly controversial subject, there can be no doubt that the issue is not of great moment. The unprepared "slacker" is usually the one who makes the loudest howl, and it is safe to say that if he has not got his work up by Xmas, he is not at all likely to do any work during the holidays. The purpose of the exams, which are now pending is not to pluck students, but to provide the necessary stimulant for a rational amount of study on their part. For that very reason then, the marking of the papers should not be too exact, and the examiner should endeavour to see to it that the thorough-going, painstaking student is not placed at a disadvantage alongside the man who merely "plugs up" a subject the night before his exam.

The Daily will suspend publication after Saturday's Christmas issue. This issue will be composed of twelve pages, four of which will be entirely devoted to half-tone work. It is aimed to make the first special edition of the Old McGill. Several excellent stories and special articles McGill Daily worthy of being prized as a genuine souvenir will feature our last issue of the term. Publication will be resumed on January 6th, very probably on a basis of six issues per week.

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But you are well-versed also in the arts of peace, and we greet you too as a man of tried experience in affairs, of sound judgment and discretion, ready and eager to serve the public interest. Your acceptance of the post of Governor-General is in itself a proof, not only of the important role assigned to Canada in the Imperial scheme, but also of your personal willingness to subordinate private considerations to the call of duty and service.

The general feeling of gratification at the announcement that the national destinies of Canada were to be directed for a time by a Prince of the Blood was intensified for us here in McGill by our knowledge that the Governor-General of the Dominion is also under our Royal Charter Visitor of the University. It was in that double capacity that Your Royal Highness so promptly congratulated Montreal and McGill the other day on the union of forces which had achieved such noteworthy results in connection with our recent appeal to the citizens for financial aid. We thank you sincerely for that gracious message.

But to Your Royal Highness as well as to ourselves education is more than a financial problem, and we recall with great appreciation the exhortation which you lately addressed to University men everywhere to study the great problems with which the new nations within the Empire are now confronted. McGill has never failed to realize and to teach that it is possible to cherish an increasing sense of imperial responsibility in entire consistency with the full and free development of our Canadian national life. Next year it will be our privilege to take part in the Imperial Universities Congress which is to be held in London, and in order to show the spirit which has animated our academic work we may be permitted to repeat what was said to your distinguished predecessor seven years ago: "It is our sincere conviction that a great role awaits that Canadian University which in the time to come may best apply itself to the work of unifying and harmonizing, in spirit if not also in form, the institutions of higher learning in the several provinces of our vast Dominion. In this work of 'federation through Education' McGill will always be ready to strive with the foremost."

Your Royal Highness has known Canada now for over forty years, and it would be superfluous to call attention to the many indications of the progress which has been made during that period. It is a great satisfaction to us to feel that we are about to inscribe your name as one of ourselves on our roll of Honorary Graduates.

And your presence here to-day is rendered doubly gracious by the fact that you are accompanied by Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught, whose name it is also to be

our pride and privilege to enroll along with yours in the list of those on whom we have bestowed the highest honor which it is in our power to confer. Nowhere is there a fuller realization than in our national universities of the debt we owe to the country which has sent us a daughter so distinguished; and our prayer is that in the coming time Britain may march forward along the path of progress in none but amiable relations with a friendly Germany.

Her Royal Highness will esteem all the more highly the compliment we have sought to pay when we mention that hers is the second womanly name to be inscribed in our roll of honor, coming as it does after that of Her Majesty the Queen.

We beg to be allowed to renew to His Majesty King George, through Your Royal Highness as the most exalted representative of the Crown in any of the overseas Dominions, the expression of our loyal and devoted homage.

And we pray that Your Royal Highness may find all possible satisfaction in your Canadian life, and that every blessing may attend you both.

It is our one regret that Lord Strathcona, our Chancellor, is not able to be here on this auspicious occasion; but I have to-day received a cable from him, with which I will take the liberty of closing—

"Regret exceedingly being unable to be present to-day as Chancellor to join with all the other members of McGill University in receiving and welcoming His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught as visitor of the University, and in giving expression to our sense of the signal honour conferred on the University by Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught in being graciously pleased to become honorary graduates of McGill."

Amid loud cheers Principal Peterson concluded his address. Dean Moyse, the Vice-Principal, then made the formal announcement that it had been decided to offer the degree of Doctor of Laws to their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught.

The Duke was then robed by Principal Peterson and the Duchess by Miss Hurlbatt, a triumphant McGill yell marking the investiture. Miss E. C. Longworth and Miss Lawrence, of the Royal Victoria College, presented the Duchess and Princess Patricia with bouquets of roses and lilies of the valley and retired amid applause, curtseying gracefully. Mr. Nicholson presented the degrees and the new graduates signed the roll of honour.

When the Duke of Connaught rose to speak, he was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers. His Royal Highness said:

"I need not tell you that the Duchess of Connaught and myself feel very deeply honoured by the degree you have just conferred on us. In doing this you have wished to show both your loyalty to our Sovereign and your affection personally to ourselves. I assure you that we shall most highly value it."

"As I have mentioned, Sir, your devotion to His Majesty the King, also an honorary graduate, with the Queen, of this University. We must remember that at this moment our Gracious Sovereign, as King-Emperor of India, is receiving, in the midst of that marvellous country, the fealty of his Indian subjects. Under the circumstances we like to think of them doubly on this great occasion."

"I assure you that this degree is taken as an honour by myself especially. Anyone who has had the good fortune to have been in the service of his country, as I have, must feel how much the future of any country, and especially of Canada and the Empire, depends upon the education received by the rising generation."

"Gentlemen, I know that in you of McGill there is a splendid spirit. You are well known, not only in Canada and the British Empire, but throughout the world. Especially is the engineering side of this college well known."

"I also recognize the education received by our sisters here, if I may be allowed to so call them. Both sexes here have the advantage of a modern education, which will fit them for the difficulties they will meet in life. I hope that all who are receiving instruction will have profited here, and I know that they will be attached to the University."

"I congratulate a again most warmly on the happy response made by the citizens of Montreal to your appeal. Any city would be proud of having such citizens."

"I have heard it rumored that an officer's training corps is likely to be formed in the College. If so, it would have my warmest sympathy. As one who has spent all his life in the service, I know that the advantages from it would be great, and that you would be ready, should circumstances ever require it, to defend your country."

"I am most deeply honoured as

your visitor that, on the first occasion that I have had the pleasure of coming among you, you have made me one of yourselves. You will find that during my term of office I will take a deep interest at all times in the progress of this great university. "I hope that the great success that has hitherto attended McGill will ever continue, and that Canada and the Empire will ever be proud of the great position that this University has taken in its midst."

At the conclusion of the Duke's speech, Principal Peterson called for three cheers for their Royal Highnesses, to which was added a rousing tiger. Three cheers were also given for Princess Patricia, and the proceedings terminated.

SANE IMPERIALISM

DISCUSSED AT THE UNION LAST NIGHT BY MR. W. D. HITCHENS

W. D. Hitchens, veteran of the Boer War, first treasurer of the Transvaal, commissioner in India, Egypt and Rhodesia, delivered an interesting lecture on "Imperial Responsibilities," last night, in the Union. No man could be more fitted to speak on such a subject than Mr. Hitchens, who dealt with it in a thoroughly comprehensive manner. He himself is an Oxford man, and he began by paying tribute to Cecil Rhodes, who has to a great extent made that University a cosmopolitan one.

"I have chosen the subject of Imperial Responsibilities because that is a question which interests me more than any other. I am not going to attempt to hold forth on the responsibilities of Canada, I really do not know what they are. We do not want Canadians to think that England is trying to work her responsibilities off on Canada. England is not yet on the road to ruin. There is life in the old dog yet, as you in Canada will find if you ever want her aid—as we in England believe Canada will come to ours."

We have experienced this in the South African War, where I served as a private under a Canadian Colonel. The bearing of Canadians then showed me what Canada's answer would be, were she called upon.

I want to point out to-night a few of the responsibilities of the separate parts of the Empire—those duties which are common to the whole Empire, and how they should be assumed. The first one is defence—a responsibility to which the whole Empire must share. There are certain idealists who shun war, looking to arbitration to settle questions. The time when such settlement is possible has not yet come. Ability to defend is the surest guarantee of safety. Take the Turkish war for instance. The Italians only attacked Turkey because they felt themselves to be stronger. Defensive measures are measures of safety. We see it illustrated in Persia.

Defence and its burden rests almost entirely with England to-day. For instance Germany is closely situated in one of her colonies, to South Africa. If trouble arose it would have to be settled by England. Australia has already begun to build a fleet to defend her own coasts, South Africa makes a contribution; the question is a live one in Canada.

The second Imperial responsibility is that of foreign affairs. To-day that service is entirely maintained by Great Britain. If the colonial dominions are involved in a dispute, Great Britain settles it for them. The ultimate sanction in diplomacy is the mailed fist.

If we have the power, we will defy any nation—as Lloyd George shook his fist and defied Germany, when irritated at him, she asked him to retire from the ministry.

Mr. Lemieux, going to Japan, to negotiate, went as a Canadian, which is a step in the right direction. To-day the Dominions are beginning to negotiate their own tariff treaties. The Dominions are going to take their place in foreign negotiations.

The third Imperial responsibility is that of dependencies, as India. Why do they not control their own affairs? Because they are not capable of doing so. What would happen there, if England retired from the field and left them to themselves? That great country holds so many religions, races and castes that anarchy would result. The duty of the Government is to educate that people until they are able to govern themselves. This is one great Imperial duty.

The entire responsibility now rests with Great Britain, the Dominions take none of it. It is an enormous responsibility, this care of 400 million souls, and I think unique in the history of the world.

"History repeats itself"—I think this dictum is untrue. Never before has any country been responsible for such a vast galaxy of dependencies as Great Britain is to-day, and never

have they been governed for their own good before.

Here then are the three main responsibilities—Defence, Foreign Affairs and the Dependencies. The question is a live one as to how the responsibilities should be divided. There are two alternatives, one that the Dominions should become separate and independent states or that they should devise some plan of reciprocal, composite government.

The analogy of history would point to the first one—that the Dominions would separate. Here is an opportunity of giving the Philosophy of History the lie—of devising a form of government which can control these far-flung Dominions as one great Empire. Our race possesses the greatest administrative qualities of any in the world. Are we to be satisfied with what is done, or are we to rise to the situation and evolve some such form of combined organized government? The answer may to some extent depend on you. We must face it, if not to-day, to-morrow. You and the young men of the other dominions must face it—and settle it. The helmsman's hand is wanting to the ship. We are floating about now unprepared as the waiting maids with lamps unfilled, as the rudderless ship, and I call upon you to put your shoulder to the task of finding some means of solving the question.

Keep your ideals high and go for the big things. This is the watchword which should ever govern you, and if so, the great question will not want of solution."

President Ramsey made a neatly-worded little speech thanking the speaker and calling upon Principal Peterson to make a few remarks.

The Principal hailed the lecturer as a "doer"—a man who had accomplished things, and in a few well-chosen words advised the students to let Mr. Hitchens' words sink in as they were potent with meaning.

Mr. MacNaughton moved a well-couched vote of thanks to the speaker.

LADIES' EVENING AT WESLEYAN

On Tuesday evening last the Wesleyan was en fête.

An inauguration was made by the Wesleyan Missionary Society. Previous to Tuesday evening the meetings of the Missionary Society had been held behind closed doors.

When the programme was announced at the beginning of the term, many of the fellows wondered what was meant by "Ladies' Evening." They wonder no longer, but ask themselves this question, "Why did we not think of it earlier?"

The Missionary Executive had no easy task before them and one or two went around with anxious faces, wondering what the end would be.

Tuesday morning at 6 a.m.!!! (don't say we can't get up) the Convocation Hall resembled some fancy bazaar; flags, pennants and fancy colored papers were in evidence and there was quite a crowd of willing hands to put them in their places. By noon the Hall resembled some fair scene, having been transformed by a band of fellows under the leadership of "Tom" Armstrong and "Bill" Quigley. In the words of the poet, "They all had a mind to work."

By six o'clock the final touches had been given, tables set up and arranged in broken squares, all ready for the fray. At 7.45 the visitors began to arrive. They were met by four ushers and kindly shown to the dressing rooms. At 8.15 p.m. the President of the Society ushered in the lady speakers and escorted them and the Honorary President to the platform.

In a few words the President explained the nature of the gathering, bidding all welcome in the name of the Missionary Society, and then calling upon the Honorary President Rev. Prof. J. H. Robinson to take charge of the programme.

A hymn was sung and then prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Fallon, after which the chairman called upon the first lady, Miss C. Ranton to explain to us the nature and formation of the Deaconess Society.

Miss Ranton, in a very choice speech, which held the attention of all, told of the origin of the order, and the nature of the work. Then we had a song by Mr. W. H. Norman, who possesses a voice of some power and sweetness.

We next had another address from Miss Wilcox, who explained to us in a very happy manner, the duties and privileges of the Deaconess. Some of her remarks were given with a vein of humour and were much appreciated by the audience.

The chairman then called upon the President to make an announcement which was well received, being this: "Refreshments are now to be served."



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After the refreshments had been served the programme was continued and we passed from the services (?) to a lighter (?) vein.

We were now to have the surprise of the evening. Miss Walbridge entertained us with a "Whistling Solo." This was heartily received, and very naturally so. Miss Walbridge is really a first class artist and her imitations of different bird songsters were delightful and well worth the applause she received.

We then had a recitation by Mr. W. P. Wornell, who gave us an item of real merit. Songs and recitations followed by Mr. Stirling and Mr. I. S. Williams, the latter favouring us with a very humorous recital.

The Principal, Rev. Prof. Dr. Smyth was next called upon for a speech and he was at his best. He captivated the audience with his witticisms and serious remarks, rejoicing in the fact that the Deaconess Work in our city was of such interest as to draw such a company together. (Loud Applause.)

All the Epworth Leagues were invited to send representatives as also the sister colleges and McGill Y. M. C. A.

About eighty were present and a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction from Prof. P. L. Richardson.

At the close of the meeting each lady was presented with a flower from the table decorations and all went home feeling that another evening of a similar nature in the not very distant future would be very enthusiastically received.

The Missionary Executive desire to thank all who helped in any way to make the evening such a success.

Mr. A. N. Fraser, Science '09 with the A. C. B. at Lethbridge is in town for a few days representing his company. As an undergraduate, Mr. Fraser was exceedingly well-known, both as a scholar and as an athlete.

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Convention in New York City Proves
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Home Making.

That college women make the best wives is the declaration of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, recently in convention in New York City. In order to prove this they have gathered convincing figures, hard facts, and irrefutable statistics, which will be presented to the world at large during the next month.

The Association is also ready to prove that the college girl is not to be found among the transient guests at Reno—that when she marries for good she bears more children than her noncollege sister and that they do not die in infancy. In fine, that she develops into an all round sane, healthy, home loving woman.

Investigation also established the axiom that college girls marry two years later in life than noncollege girls, the actual age being 25; that they have healthier children and more of them, and that they select the men as husbands who are best fitted for intellectual companionship, as well as best able to support them—namely, professional men.

The association sent out letters to college women all over the country, to their brothers, and to their non-college sisters. Replies to these have been received from 3,600 college women, from 1,000 brothers and from 1,300 sisters. The answers show that 50 per cent of the girls who spend four years in college are married at the average age of 25. The number of marriages is not small, comparatively, for of the sisters and cousins of college graduates who have not themselves been to college, about the same percentage marry, thus proving that they come of a class only one-half of whose women marry under any circumstances.

It has long been contended that the woman student is too deeply interested in Browning and too much a student of eugenics to have a large family. This theory will be proved an utter fallacy by the publication of the report.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOCKEY MEETING THIS AFTERNOON

At five o'clock this afternoon the Executive of the McGill Hockey Club will meet in Stratheona Hall. All class representatives are urgently requested to be on hand because there is business to transact which very closely affects each and every member of the Executive as well as the whole Club. Another communication has been received from Boston the contents of which will not be divulged until the meeting. As the Arena has placed in the McGill Club's hands the arrangement of prices for the Arena, this matter will also be discussed. Another very important item on to-day's programme is the business which the Executive desires to be brought up at the Intercollegiate Hockey League meeting in Toronto. McGill's official Intercollegiate representative is Pres. A. E. Sargent, who is Vice-President of the Intercollegiate League.

HOCKEY TRIP SPLENDID CHANGE

The hockey executive wants just as many rooters as last year for the American tour. From present outlook it would seem that McGill will have a very fair delegation accompanying her hockey representatives.

A list is open in the Union for all students wishing to take in the trip. If you intend to go, sign up at once, or communicate with Manager Roberts or President Sargent. Judging by the experience of last season's trip, the outside cost, including transportation and hotel accommodation will not exceed thirty-five dollars. Remember this will be SOME TRIP and it will not take long!

Leaving Montreal for New York on Thursday, Dec. 27, the crowd will camp in the American metropolis until noon on Saturday, when Boston will be invaded. Reaching Boston Saturday night the team and supporters will remain until the following evening. Montreal will be reached Monday morning. By availing yourself of this opportunity of improving yourself educationally and geographically, you will never regret having taken in the McGill American Tour of December 1931.

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ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE.

The photograph of the Athletic Association Committee will be taken at Rice's at 1.15 Saturday, Dec. 16. It is hoped that the presidents of every club represented on the committee will be present.

HARRY G. ROGERS, President.

CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, December 14th, at 4.45 p.m. in the Chemistry Building. A paper will be read by Dr. Stansfield on the Evans-Stansfield Process of Steel Making.

McGILL BANJO AND MANDOLIN CLUB.

The members and candidates for the Club will be glad to hear that the Club have been able to secure the services of Mr. J. J. Levert, Montreal's well-known Banjo and Mandolin Club leader, to lead the Club this year. However, in order to give Mr. Levert and the club committee time to get the right kind of music from

the United States and also on account of the Arts exams, it has been decided to call off the practices until after Xmas. The Club will meet at Mr. Levert's studios on St. Catherine St., opposite Victoria St., on Friday night, January 5th, from 7 until 8 o'clock. With such a leader as Mr. Levert has proved himself, the members and officers of the Club are looking for the best season on record. However, new men will be heartily welcomed, also this is a splendid opportunity for college men to improve their playing while at college. Think it over fellows during the holidays and then come back and support a club where so much fun as well as instruction can be gained together. Remember, the Club are going to go into 3 or 4 concerts this season, some of them out of town. Also it costs nothing to become a member, all that is required is a little playing facility.

Remember then, January 5th, at 7 o'clock at Mr. Levert's studios.

HY. M. MORGAN, Secy.

SCIENCE UNDERGRADS WILL MEET TO-NIGHT

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON WOOD PULP

The second regular meeting of the Society will be held tonight at 8 p.m. in the lecture theatre of the Chemistry Building.

The address will be given by Mr. T. Crossley on "Wood Plugs," and will be illustrated by lantern slides. The speaker has been connected with some of the largest paper firms of the United States and is widely recognized as an authority on this subject.

All interested are invited to attend. Important business to come up also.

FENCING.

Classes will be held until further notice at 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays. The tuition fee is \$5.00. Fuller particulars can be obtained from Mr. Jacoby at the gymnasium.

PINAFORE AT THE PRINCESS

BRILLIANT REVIVAL OF A BRILLIANT OPERA

In these days when Viennese opera reigns supreme; when every musical play must have for its climax a "love waltz"; when the short-skirted, voiceless chorus is more than an important feature; Messrs. Schubert, Brady and Arthur have done well to present to us as a reminder, the kind of comic opera our fathers used to enjoy. The pity of it, we say to ourselves, that this class of work did not remain with us! Nonsensical and foolish it is indeed in point of plot and construction, but then, we all remember the old saying about a little nonsense. It is in its music that "Pinafore" scores, and scores high. The public of today is always looking for something new in the way of comic opera and the results of their search are the hundred and one flimsy productions of the last five years. Why not go back and review such gems as Mikado, Pirates of Penzance and Robin Hood? Has their equal ever been produced in recent years? Their music is far richer than that of any present day comic opera, and the comedy every bit its equal. Let us hope that the revival of "Pinafore" is but one of many such to follow.

The applause of the audience on Monday night knew no bounds, and it was all well merited. Seldom if ever has so brilliant an aggregation of comic-opera stars been seen in this city at one time. It is difficult to decide to whom first honors fall, we should come nearer the mark if we tie them all for first place. Eugene Cowles, an old favorite in Montreal was seen as Bill Bobstay, the boatswain; to him fell the song "He is an Englishman" which he rendered admirably. De Wolf Hopper had to resort to his "slapstick" methods for obtaining laughs, but

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His early training was received at Itherville and we next hear of him at Westmount Academy. This place of learning he left in 1903 and for the next two years employed himself by doing "odd jobs" as he expresses it, having worked for the C. P. R. and winding up at a bank.

In 1906 he came to McGill, but showed no inclination for track work, confining his efforts to the gridiron. This resulted in his playing on the second team in Junior and Senior years, and in the fall of 1909 was also induced to try track work. He would undoubtedly have made good in the 1909-10 season, but unfortunately he would not relinquish football, with the result that he was laid up about a week before the Annual Meet with a wrenched ankle. This put him completely out of the game for the time, but he had showed great promise during his short career on the cinder path and his inability to compete was a great loss to the team on which he would undoubtedly have obtained a position.

Next summer he was working on a survey and so did nothing in the way of athletics, but in the spring of 1911 he was back in Montreal and his running career really starts only this year. His performances soon attracted attention and by the end of the M. A. A. season he was their best all round short distance man.

For a novice, his progress was remarkable and great was the joy in the heart of the Track manager and the old-timers of the team when Fred announced his intention of coming back for his M. Sc. He supplied a long felt want, namely another dependable quarter-miler and one who would prove a serious competitor in the sprints. This expectation he fully justified as all will remember. He would undoubtedly have done better, both at the Annual and Intercollegiate Meet, but his demon of ill-luck relentlessly pursued him and he was a bit faster than Fred—which is going some. He strained a leg on the very day of the competition on the former of the two occasions, and was suffering from ill-health almost all the fall, so that his performances are truly remarkable, especially when we consider that he combines weight-shifting with sprinting, a feat not often achieved by the same individual.

There are some who predict for him a glorious future on the track, in fact it is said that, with the improvement in his form which will surely follow on this year's experience, he stands a remarkably good chance of making the Canadian Olympic Team next year for the quarter-mile. This is a consummation most devoutly to be wished for, as, up to the present, McGill has had no representative at this classic contest.

Fred is also something of a gymnast, for in his second year he took second place in the Wikstead Competition.

He says that physical training should be compulsory at the University and was one of the leaders in the scheme for the '1910 Memorial gymnasium.

Meanwhile he had been establishing for himself a reputation in his year, and was elected President of Sci. '10 in his fourth year. This is the class office that really counts and he filled it admirably. He has also the distinction of being the first Chairman of the Science dinner which was first inaugurated during the session of 1909-10.

Fred has done nobly this year—he is an unselfish worker and a true sportsman and we extend to him our heartiest good wishes for his future career—athletic or otherwise.

this is possibly excusable in the role of Dick Deadeye, which he assumed. Arthur Aldridge as Ralf Rackstraw; Geo. J. MacFarlane as Capt. Corcoran; R. E. Graham as Sir Joseph Porter; Mabel Weeks as Josephine; and Viola Gillette as Buttercup all deserve more praise than space will allow. The opportunity of seeing this production is well worth taking advantage of.

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HAPPENINGS IN UNIVERSITY WORLD

QUEEN'S

The Queen's Journal came out on Friday with a strong denunciation of Ottawa College and the sportsmanship displayed by them in sport and debate. The Queen's-Ottawa debate, for which no award was given, but which was called off as a tie, was the question which inspired the vilification. Probably this unfortunate decision will give rise to much polemic literature in the different college papers.

The Queen's Debating Club recently distinguished itself by successfully producing "The Lost Paradise," a melodrama unique for the heavy nature of its villainous characters, and the heroic attributes of the hero. It is not particularly adapted to college production, but was evidently a great success.

The Queen's Athletic Committee decided to establish a training table for the first, second, third and scrub teams, in the kitchen, as soon as the practices begin.

HARVARD

The Harvard Club of Boston has after three years decided to build and has appointed a committee to select a site. The Club, formed in 1908, has 1,500 members.

The first of a series of junior class smokers was held in the dining room Monday evening at 9 o'clock. Two professional entertainers were engaged and the evening was a great success.

INDIANA

George Fitch, the author, was the guest of the Press Club last night in their rooms in "The Students' Building." He recounted the interesting history and origin of the Siwash stories. Mr. Fitch said the newspaper game was a good one—to get out of, and advised the members not to take it up definitely.

The Indiana Basketball team, has arranged for a trip to Minnesota, where ten conference games will be played.

BERKELEY

Preparations are being made for the Intercollegiate Athletic Meet. Invitations have been mailed to 250 high schools to compete in the second annual Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Meet, which will be held under the auspices of the Californian Big C Society.

Dr. W. W. Campbell, director of the Sick Observatory, has been honoured by President Turner of the British Association for the advancement of science. In his address at the recent convention, the president dwelt particularly on Director Campbell's observations on the varying velocity of the stars.

A Student Welfare Committee has been formed at Berkeley and made

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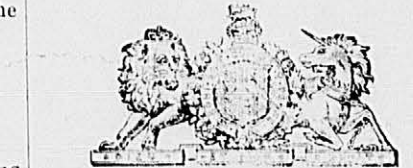
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PENNSYLVANIA

The Senior Class, 1912 has been organized permanently in Pennsylvania as an organization always existing for the furthering of the college interests.

The historic Bowl Fight will take place on December 13th (today) between the Freshmen and Sophomores.

In the classification and placing of the many American college football teams, to decide primarily the mythical title of Intercollegiate Champion, Pennsylvania comes far down the list; placed below Brown and Michigan through being defeated by these two elevens, but above Cornell, despite the Big Red team's victory over the Wolverines of Princeton, through its victories scored in the big games and its undefeated record, has the strongest claim for the mythical title; but the ranking of the first seven teams is purely theoretical.

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